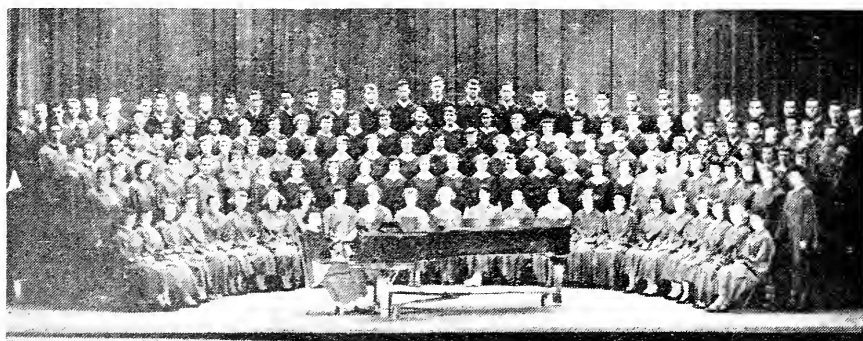




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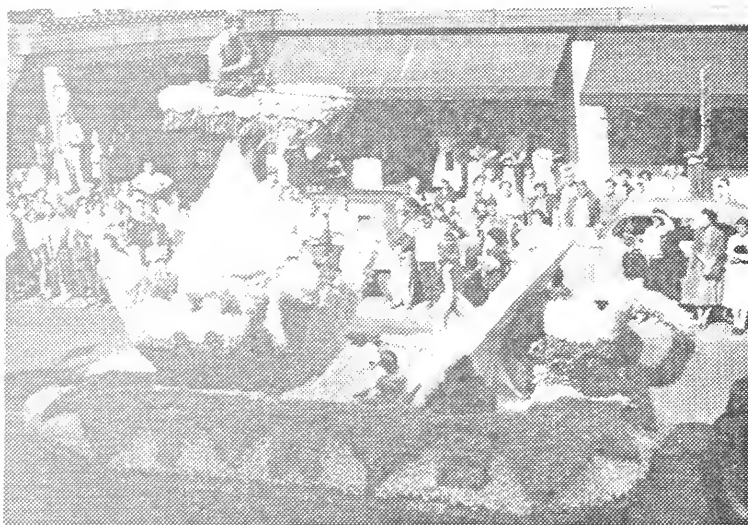
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# 1955 Homecoming Parade - First Prize



Arabian Nights — Tau Kappa Epsilon

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# Homecoming Day Parade Acclaimed

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Held October 1, 1955

More than 22,000 persons saw the Indiana State Teachers College Homecoming Parade in Indiana on Saturday afternoon, October 1, 1955. The parade acclaimed as one of the outstanding parades ever to be given in this community was especially good in terms of the art work that went into the floats.

About thirty floats depicted book titles. A committee of judges composed of Albert Breakiron, Carlyle Fee, and Lewis McGill selected the parade prize winners.

First prize was a gold trophy cup supplied by the Indiana Kiwanis Club and a \$30 cash award given by the Indiana Merchant's Association to Tau Kappa Epsilon for the float "Arabian Nights."

Second prize was a gold trophy cup given by the Indiana College Bookstore with an additional \$20 cash prize from the Indiana Merchant's Association to Phi Mu for the float "Cinderella."

The third prize was a gold trophy cup given by the Indiana Alumni Committee and an additional \$15 cash award from the Indiana Chamber of Commerce to Delta Sigma Phi for the float "Alice in Wonderland."

Fourth prize was a silver trophy cup from the Indiana College Student Council and an additional \$15 cash award from the Indiana Chamber of Commerce to Beta Sigma Omicron for the float "Guliver's Travels."

Fifth prize was \$10 cash award supplied by the Indiana Chamber of Commerce and given to the Association for Childhood Education for its float "Hansel and Gretel."

Sixth prize was a \$10 cash award supplied by the Indiana Chamber of Commerce and given to Kappa Delta Rho for the float "Kon Tiki."

Additional floats in the parade illustrated the books "The Egg and I," "Little Women," "Wuthering Heights," "Blackboard Jungle," "Onions in the Stew," "The Bible," "Heidi," "Joan of Arc," "Scarlet Letter," "From Here to Eternity," "Showboat," "Treasure Island," "Dumbo," "The High and the Mighty," "Moby Dick," and "Peter Pan."

In addition to the floats there were the Indiana and California State Teachers College bands, Indiana State Teachers College ROTC Band and Drill Team, high school bands from Portage, Elderton, Indiana, Keith School, Hastings, Richland Twp., Spangler, Pine Twp., and Blairsville.

The prizes for the winning floats were presented by John Varner, president of the College Student Council, prior to the opening of the football game at Memorial Field. The Indiana College team defeated California by a score of 14-7. More than 5,000 people attended the football game.

The office of the executive secretary of the Alumni Association indicated that more than 2,000 Alumni registered as attending the Homecoming observance. There were many more Alumni visitors, however, present at other events than registered.

The Alumni Executive Council with Samuel Furguele, president of the General Alumni Association, presiding voted to approve several Alumni projects for the college during the 1955-6 academic year. The Alumni projects were presented to the Executive Council by Mrs. Ward C. Johnson of Indiana, who is chairman of the Alumni Projects Committee.

Excellent weather combined with the time of the year and Homecoming festivities made this event one of the outstanding attended events in Indiana since the Sesquicentennial observance.

# Executive Council

## Meeting Minutes

### Reported

Held October 1, 1955

The fall meeting of the Executive Council of the Alumni Association was held on Homecoming Day, October 1, 1955, in Fisher Auditorium, at 10:00 a.m. The President, Mr. Samuel Furgiuele, called the meeting to order, and introduced the officers serving with him — Vice President, Dr. Glenn Hess, Johnstown; Secretary, Mrs. Esther Wechsler, Pittsburgh. Mr. Furgiuele expressed his appreciation for the honor conferred on him by his election to the presidency of the association and welcomed the delegates to the campus for the homecoming day program. He mentioned that the immediate past president, Miss Ethel Waddell, died July 24, after an illness of several months, and that the flowers under the portrait of Jane E. Leonard, in John Sutton Hall, had been placed in her memory by Mrs. Rose McManus and Miss Helen Brennan.

The minutes of the Executive Council Meeting held on May 20, 1955, were read by the Secretary, Mrs. Esther Wechsler. They were approved.

Mary L. Esch, Treasurer, read her report as follows:

Balance, June 1, 1955 \$ 976.65

#### Receipts

Membership dues .....	\$771.00
Life Memberships .....	115.00
Gifts .....	48.00
Total Receipts .....	934.00
Receipts plus Balance .....	\$1910.65

#### Expenses

Alumni News Bulletin .....	\$467.24
Dues Letters, 25000 "Round Trip" Envelopes .....	443.08
Postage .....	300.00
American Alumni Council Dues .....	35.00
Flowers and Travel Expense .....	66.36
Miscellaneous Supplies .....	22.83
Total Expenses .....	1334.51

Balance, October 1, 1955 \$ 576.14

A motion was made that the treasurer's report be accepted and filed. It was properly seconded.

Mrs. Sally Johnson was called on for the report of the Projects Committee. She first introduced Mr. Weight, husband of Mrs. Clara Wilhelms Weight, (1918), with these words "He has been loyal to the association and in fifteen years has not missed a meeting; he has been loyal right down the line." She stated that we expect more men to participate actively in the alumni program since the enrolment now is almost equally divided between men and women.

Concerning projects Mrs. Johnson stated that allocations had been approved at the May 1955 meeting as follows: for a second movie projector to permit continuous running of films, \$1600; and for the 1955-56 quarterly alumni bulletin, \$1600. Mrs. Johnson stated that there was a deficit of \$161.40 on the Wilson Hall Library Project of the May 1955 reunion classes — refurnishing the second floor reading room, and recommended that the association pay the deficit. It was properly moved and seconded that the association assume this obligation and the treasurer was ordered to pay the bill.

Always interested in the financial affairs of the association, Mrs. Johnson then showed samples of the "round-trip" envelope which is being used this year to solicit dues

and contributions from non-active alumni. She stated that they had been mailed about September 1, and that receipts for dues to date amounted to about \$850, and that contributions to projects ranged from \$1 to \$20. Mr. Furgiuele commended Mrs. Johnson and her committee for the fine work it is doing. He then announced that Mrs. Wechsler offered to do something very worthy of commendation, "she has willingly assumed the responsibility for the deficit on the Wilson Hall Library Project." He thanked Mrs. Wechsler for her generous gift, and accepted for the association.

Dr. Lott, reporting for the College Alumni Liaison Committee, stated that members of the committee would be happy to render any possible service to units, and visit unit meetings on invitation. He suggested that units should look up the 1955 graduates who had been given free memberships for one year, and welcome them into their groups. He then introduced the new members of the committee: Mrs. Lida Fleming, a teacher in Keith School, and Mr. Robert Cronauer, a staff member in the Art Department.

Mr. Furgiuele then introduced Dr. Pratt, President of the College. Dr. Pratt thanked the projects committee and the alumni groups for their support and for the many fine gifts to the college, the most recent being the reading room in the library which will be completed within a week or two. Dr. Pratt stated that in looking toward the future, the critical problem is trying to prepare enough teachers for the public schools, and that he approaches it with "mixed feelings." It is nice to have a small family on campus of ten or eleven hundred students. This year we have almost 1900 students, enrolment will continue to grow, and it appears that in 1960 we shall have at least 2500 students. This throws a challenge to the staff to continue to maintain high standards. Dr. Pratt continued that one of the big problems which faced the administration this year has been the matter of the students who could not be admitted because of lack of facilities. The number was about 800. He suggested that if good students, who want to come to Indiana, were known by the alumni, they should be advised to complete their applications before Christmas. Already we have 50 or 60 applicants for next September which are being processed by the staff.

Dr. Pratt urged homecoming guests and friends to look around the campus and called particular attention to the sorority rooms in John Sutton Hall which are being furnished by the sororities and the new reading room in the library. He expressed the hope that each alumnus would get behind the officers, Mr. Furgiuele, Dr. Hess, and Mrs. Wechsler, and that they would have a most successful term of office.

Mr. Furgiuele thanked Dr. Pratt for his informative remarks. He then called for other old or new business. There was no response, and he then asked delegates to give brief reports on their programs and activities. The reports follow:

District of Columbia — Dorothy Ramale reported for her unit. The big project being sponsored by the unit this year is a trip to Bermuda next spring with the proceeds to be donated to the library.

Pittsburgh — Mrs. Marie Murray reported for her unit (Senior Group). Mrs. Maude Goehring reported for the Junior Group of the unit. Six new members are being added to the Junior Group, five of them are May graduates.

Pittsburgh North Boroughs — Mildred Pauch reported for the unit. Changes in the annual meeting schedule were made this year.

Kiski Valley — Kate Owens reported that the unit had an exchange teacher at the fall meeting. The unit gives a scholarship of \$100 to a student from Kiski Valley each year.

McKeesport — Mrs. Nelle Chaplin stated that at their first meeting of the year slides of Indiana both old and new would be shown.

Jeannette — Mrs. Wilps reported that the unit's big project is to sponsor a play at the Jennerstown Playhouse each year.

Tri Township — Mae Brown reported on the good attendance at the unit meetings. Men belong to the unit and husbands come with wives.

Altoona — Marion Fleck told of the project that the unit expects to set up this year

which will be a scholarship for some Blair County high school graduate.

Johnstown — Mrs. Edna Straub offered her wishes of success to the new officers in the coming year.

Indiana — Arthur Nicholson reported that the unit is in the process of reorganizing.

Mr. Furgiuele asked the alumni groups to bring news of unit activities to all the meetings. "We have a large family in the Alumni Association and we want to keep in touch with our brothers and sisters." He would like to receive from the units a list of their meeting dates so he may try to visit with them. He read the program for the day and added that he was happy to see so many at the meeting. He again referred to his office and concluded with "I will do everything I can to help the units, the alumni association, and the college."

A motion was made for adjournment; it was seconded, and accepted. The meeting of the Executive Council of the General Alumni Association adjourned at 11:05 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Esther Wechsler

## Record Enrollments Cause Need For Expanding Facilities

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New Record Each Year

A record enrollment of students at the State Teachers College in Indiana is reported for the current 1955-6 academic year, according to Mary L. Esch, registrar.

The total enrollment of full-time students including 830 men and 1035 women is 1865. This figure represents the largest number of students ever enrolled at Indiana State Teachers College and also the largest number of men enrolled in the history of the institution.

In September, 1954, there were 1623 students enrolled of whom 673 were men and 950 were women. The net increase in enrollment for 1955 over 1954 is 242 students or a 15 percent increase. The net increase of men students is 157. More than half the total increase of 1955 over 1954 is in the male student body.

The total new students including freshmen and transfers number approximately 720, the registrar's statistics show. Of the 1865 students, 675 are day students and 1190 are classified as boarding students. Among the total student enrollment are five foreign students, one each from India, Korea, Egypt, Chile, and Greece.

By curriculum the students are as follows: art, 124; business, 301; home economics, 238; music, 219; secondary, 560; elementary, 400; public school nursing, 1; and nurses, 22.

The freshman class this year which numbers around 650 is the largest freshman class in the history of the college.

Indications are, Dr. Willis E. Pratt, president of the Indiana State Teachers College, stated today, that the college enrollment for 1956-7 will necessarily have to be increased to about 2150. The college administration is now working on plans to take care of approximately 250 additional students for the next college year, 1956-7.

### EXPANDING LAND

Bills authorizing the purchase of three tracts of land for use of the Indiana State Teachers College are in a position that they may be passed by the Pennsylvania State Legislature now in session by the time this issue of the Alumni News goes to press.

The measures sponsored by Philip Lopresti (D-Cambria) and Earl E. Hewitt (R-Indiana), would set aside \$58,000 for the purchases. They would authorize the state Property and Supplies Department to buy the land with the approval of the governor.



One tract has 2½ acres and is located on Glass Street in Indiana. The purchase price is \$15,000.

Another 7½ acres also along Glass Street in White Township would be bought for \$28,500 from Nick and Fannie Kovalchick and Joseph Brodsky.

The third tract is located along Eleventh Street in Indiana and is owned by Jennie G. Lowman. The appropriation for this tract would be \$14,500.

## EXPANDING HOUSING

The large enrollment at State Teachers College, Indiana, has made it necessary for the college to acquire the use of several locally owned properties for dormitory space for boarding students. Three such houses are now being used by the college to house approximately 114 students.

The house owned by Joseph Sutula (class of 1939) located at the corner of Wayne Avenue and Grant Street provides quarters for sixty women students including 58 freshmen and two counselors. This large Sutula owned establishment has been completely renovated and refurbished to house 60 women.

The house also provides adequate lounge facilities and other advantages required for dormitory living. This house is known as Grant House.

The second of the three new houses is known as Locust House and is owned by Anthony Rellick located on Locust Street. It has been renovated and furnished to house 29 men students including counselors.

The third house known as Washington House is located on the corner of Eleventh and Washington Streets. The house provides quarters for 25 men students. Alumni who were here before the war may remember this building as the Phi Alpha Zeta Fraternity house in those days.

Dr. Pratt points out that these three houses are all in the area immediately adjoining the college campus and provides quick and ready access to the campus.

These all provide for housing of 25 to 60 persons with adequate room space to meet dormitory building required standards and that all three houses are in such condition that they meet the minimum standards for dormitory living.

## EXPANDING SCHOLARSHIPS

A total of sixteen students now attending the State Teachers College, Indiana, are receiving Syntron Foundation Scholarships to aid them in financing their careers in higher education.

These sixteen students are all citizens of Indiana County and graduates of Indiana County high schools. The Syntron Foundation Scholarship students receive \$200 per year for four years. In the awarding of these scholarships preference is given to children of employees of the Syntron Company and to graduates of Homer City, Blairsville, and Indiana high schools, and then to other high schools in the Indiana County area.

Those who receive the scholarships are selected by a committee headed by Dr. Willis E. Pratt, president of the Indiana State Teachers College, and appointed by the Syntron Foundation.

Those who receive the scholarship must qualify for admission to the state teachers college.

## MORE VETS, MORE MEN

A new peak has been reached in veteran enrollment at the State Teachers College, Indiana, Pennsylvania.

Service veteran students at Indiana comprise almost one-third of the male student population.

With the matriculation of 81 new ex G.I.'s this fall the total veteran enrollment rose to 275 students studying under the G.I. Bill of Rights. Of this number two of the students are women, five are post-graduate students, and one is studying under the World

War II G.I. Bill of Rights.

In total there are 831 men students on the Indiana State Teachers College campus, 273 are male veterans studying under the Korean G.I. Bill of Rights or World War II G.I. Bill.

The present large veteran enrollment is similar to the peak reached in the second semester of the 1947-8 college year. At that time 486 ex-G.I.'s of World War II were studying at Indiana State Teachers College.

## Choruses of 'Happy Birthday' are sent to Sigma Tau Gamma



Members of Pi Chapter of Sigma Tau Gamma Fraternity at the State Teachers College, Indiana, Pennsylvania, celebrated their 25th anniversary as a national fraternity on November 8, 1955.

The representative members of the Pi Chapter of Sigma Tau Gamma shown in the photograph above are standing on the front porch of the fraternity house at 257 College Avenue. The members are: front, left to right: John James (vice-president), Jack Balder-son; rear, left to right: Art Gatty, Sam Anderson, Donald Johnson (president), and Mr. C. M. Johnson (adviser).

Sigma Tau Gamma Fraternity at Indiana State Teachers College is the oldest national fraternity group on the Indiana State Teachers College campus. It was the first ISTC organization to become a member of the National Inter-fraternity Council.

On November 8, 1930, a group of students known as Pi Kappa Delta became Pi Chapter of Sigma Tau Gamma fraternity.

In 1955 the Pi Chapter alumni group purchased the present chapter home at 257 College Avenue. Sigma Tau Gamma became the first and as yet the only fraternity at Indiana State Teachers College to own its own house.

C. M. Johnson, social studies faculty member at Indiana State Teachers College, has been associated with Pi Chapter as a member and adviser during the entire period of its existence. He has been a delegate to national meetings of the fraternity on a number of occasions, and in 1948-50 was province governor of the group.

Several other members of Pi Chapter have also been national officers of the fraternity. These include Chester L. Shaeffer, treasurer, 1940-46; Frederick Cornell, province governor, 1952-55; and D. K. Winebrenner who has held almost every office offered by the fraternity.

Pi Chapter has been among the most prominent and influential in the Sigma Tau Gamma national organization. In the years 1938-41 Pi Chapter received the national efficiency award and still holds a high position in the organization.

There are over 50 Indiana State Teachers College students now currently active members of Sigma Tau Gamma. The alumni members for over the past 25 years number almost 500.

## News Items About Indiana Grads

### IN MEMORIAM

● In memory of her husband, Louis Wechsler, Mrs. Esther Kaplan Wechsler, a member of the Pittsburgh Alumni Unit, has contributed \$161.40 to meet the deficit in the 1955 Wilson Hall Library project fund.

The Alumni Association had voted at the October, 1955, meeting to pay the deficit in this fund; Mrs. Wechsler, however, volunteered to pay the sum herself and thus relieve the Alumni Association.

Mrs. Wechsler, class of 1915, is currently vice-president of the General Alumni Association.

### AS IT MUST TO ALL

● Dillie M. Steinmetz, 1891, who served as a teacher or principal in Braddock schools for 45 years until her retirement, died October 19, 1955, in her home, 7543 Hutchinson Avenue, Regent Square, after a brief illness. For 30 years Miss Steinmetz was principal of the Carnegie school, in the First Ward, Braddock. She was 83 years of age at the time of her death.

● Bernard F. Hanna, died July 18, 1955, at the Somerset Community Hospital. He was 88 years old at the time of his death. He had retired as head of the Union

National Bank of Rockwood, Pa., in January, 1955. He taught school for eight years after graduating from Indiana Normal School and then worked for 42 years with the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad. In 1934 he became president of the re-organized Union National Bank of Rockwood.

### LOCATION

● Stanton Ling Davis, was graduated from Indiana in the class of 1918. Later he took an A.B. at the University of Pittsburgh, an M.A. at the University of Pennsylvania, and a Ph.D. from Western Reserve University. He taught two years at the University of Pennsylvania and has been at Case Institute of Technology since 1927.

Dr. Davis has been conducting study tours to Europe the past several years. Last summer was his fifth consecutive year with such parties in Europe and he is now in the process of organizing a party for next summer. Dr. Davis's address is Case Institute of Technology, University Circle, Cleveland 6, Ohio.

### WEDDING

● Robert C. Coleman, Jr., 1950, married Lou Ann Beacom July 16, 1955. Coleman returned last summer from Naval service in the Far East as assistant operations officer aboard the U.S.S. Kaskia.

● Mary Elizabeth Gephardt, 1950, married Dr. Roscoe Graham Lamb, Jr., on October 15, 1955.

The bride attended Oberlin Conservatory, Oberlin, Ohio; was graduated with a B.S. degree in music from Indiana State Teachers College, and taught music in Indiana Joint High School for three years.

The bridegroom was graduated with a D.D.S. degree from Georgetown University Dental School. He served three years with the U. S. Navy and is a practicing dentist with offices in Washington, D.C.

Mr. and Mrs. Lamb reside at 8522-14th Avenue, Hyattsville, Maryland.

● Joan McChesney, 1950, married Harold Page, on June 11, 1955. Mr. and Mrs. Page now reside at 33½ Clay Street, Northeast, Pa., phone 151-R.

● Gilda Martucci, 1952, was married July 23, 1955, to Raymond Thomas Byrnes. Mr. and Mrs. Byrnes reside at Barnesboro. Mrs. Byrnes teaches commercial subjects at the Hastings-Elder High School and Mr. Byrnes is employed by the Tri-County Wholesale Company.

● Patricia Foust Rodgers, 1953, married William L. Rodgers on July 22, 1955. Mr. and Mrs. Rodgers live at 10 E. Pennsylvania Avenue, Mt. Union, Pennsylvania. Mrs. Rodgers is teaching in the Bratton-McVeytown-Oliver Joint High School at McVeytown, Pennsylvania. in the commercial department

#### FOUR GENERATIONS

● Joyce Reynolds, an ISTC junior from Ridgway, is the fourth generation of her family to be enrolled in Indiana's elementary department.

First to become a member of ISTC was Joyce's great-grandmother. Her grandmother, Grace Feath, then completed the elementary course here and taught school until her marriage.

Christine Lydic Reynolds, Joyce's mother appeared on campus in 1929. She is teaching the fifth grade in Ridgway joint schools at the present time.

Joyce, who is a member of Delta Sigma Epsilon Sorority, the Methodist Club, and Association for Childhood Education, states that she was not influenced to come

to Indiana by past generations, but came of her own choice. In fact, Joyce says, "I really like ISTC and would be willing to send a fifth generation member here."

#### BIRTH

● Born to Mr. and Mrs. Guy W. Gienger, a son, Christopher Holmes, on October 18, 1955, in Hyattsville, Maryland. Mrs. Gienger, the former Laura Phillippi, class of 1940, is secretary of the District of Columbia Alumni Unit. The Gengers have another son, Charles.

● Born to Mr. and Mrs. Philip D. Baer, a daughter, Barbara Jean, on October 21, 1955, in Baltimore, Maryland. Mrs. Baer, the former Jeanne Groleau, was a member of the class of 1941. The Baers now have three daughters.

● Born to Mr. and Mrs. William Bruce Brown (Marian Templeton, 1945) a daughter, Katherine Susan. Kathy arrived October 10, 1955, at St. Margaret Memorial Hospital, Pittsburgh, Pa., and will live with her parents and sister, Connie, at 5547 Beverly Place, Pittsburgh 6, Pa.

#### DEGREE

● Leonard M. Colelli, 1948, received his master's degree in music education from Boston University in August, 1955. He has been supervisor of music in the Portage Joint School District since January, 1948.

● Elaine Sturiale, 1949, received her master of education degree in business education at the University of Pittsburgh, August, 1955. She is a member of the Crafton High School faculty.

#### HONOR

● At the regular business meeting of AVID, Saturday, October 1, 1955, in the Penn-Harris Hotel, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, J. Mitchell Blose, audio-visual director, Kittanning Area Secondary School, was elected president of AVID, the State Audio-Visual Instruction Directors organization of which he has been a member for the past five years.

Mr. Blose taught in the schools of Armstrong, Indiana, and Jefferson Counties prior to his coming to Kittanning nine years ago. He serves as teacher of mathematics, chairman of the mathematics department, and A-V director in

Kittanning High School.

Mr. Blose received a B.S. Degree in Education from Indiana State Teachers College in 1936 and an M.Ed. Degree from the University of Pittsburgh in 1941.

During his teaching career, Mr. Blose has served on various local, state, and national education committees. More recently he received recognition for his work as chairman of the AVID awards committee and as a member of the DAVI, NEA Student Service Corps Committee. As president of AVID he has become a member of the executive board of DAVI, the Department of Audio-Visual Instruction, National Education Association. In addition to his membership in AVID and DAVI, he is a member of the local KEA, PSEA, and the NEA educational organization.

As an outgrowth of research done in the field of audio-visual education by Mr. Blose seven years ago, Kittanning High School became one of the thirty-three pilot schools in the State and received awards in the form of certificates for participating in the national movement.

Mr. Blose, a native of Armstrong County, resides on a farm near Yatesboro.

● Charles H. Russell, 1935, is president of the Indiana Chamber of Commerce in Indiana. He is also president of Henry Hall, Inc.

#### POSITION

● Florence Rowland, a missionary to Ramapatnam, India, graduated from Indiana in 1924. She has been in the states this fall on leave.

Miss Rowland attended State Teachers College at Indiana and the Baptist Missionary Training School in Chicago, Illinois, graduating from Denison University in Granville, Ohio, where she received her A.B. degree.

Miss Rowland's years in India have been given to teaching practical evangelism, first in Vinukinda. In 1934 she went to Ramapatnam and taught the "woman's course" in the Baptist Telugu Theological Seminary. The women who go with her to the villages are often her students getting practical experience.

Several Christian Witness centres in the Telugu field have proved that the most effective work is done by living among the people and witnessing by deed as well as by work. The mission has conducted four such centers within the past few years, and the Telugu Women's Baptist Convention has launched its own, buying land and providing staff at the town of Bazwada. The staff is usually a trained nurse, two Bible women and a teacher. "It takes something within to live as a Christian in the heart of a non-Christian village," Miss Rowland says.

Instead of calling women in for meetings, Miss Rowland now goes to the villages, living right among the people. Though it adds up to 20 hours a day, she loves it, and back in the Mission, after a few good nights sleep and some relaxation, the fatigue is forgotten. She first sailed to India in 1929 and now it has become her "home."

● Dr. W. M. Leonard, 1929, is now supervising principal of the Northern Cambria Joint High School which includes Spangler and Barnesboro High Schools. Dr. Leonard came to Barnesboro in 1936 from New Castle where he had been principal of Union High School for six years.

Later Dr. Leonard became supervising principal of the Barnesboro Schools. When the Northern Cambria Joint School district was formed in 1953, he was elected assistant supervising principal.

He has a B.A. degree from the University of Alabama and his Ed.D. and Ph.D. degrees from the University of Pittsburgh.

● Clifford Buterbaugh, 1932, is commercial instructor at the Ebensburg Cambria Joint High School in Ebensburg.

● Dr. P. David Lott, 1938, is now chairman of the elementary education department at the State Teachers College, Indiana. Dr. Lott succeeded Dr. Irene Russell who assumed a similar position at Lock Haven State Teachers College.

For the past six years Dr. Lott has been supervising teacher in the sixth grade at the Keith School, Indiana State Teachers College. Dr. Lott began his teaching career in 1938 at Clearfield

County schools. He has also taught for 8½ years in Westmoreland County schools. During much of this time he was teacher-principal and elementary supervisor.

During World War II, 1943-6, Dr. Lott was in the United States Army. He received his bachelor of science in education degree from Indiana State Teachers College in 1938, master of education degree from Penn State University in 1941, and doctor of education degree in 1952 from Pennsylvania State University.

● Esau Motovich, 1939, is teaching art at the Bethesda-Chevy Chase High School, Bethesda, Maryland. In recent years Motovich has established considerable reputation as an artist. He has exhibited his work at the National Museum and the Corcoran Gallery in Washington, D.C., and the Wyck Byron Gallery in Maryland. He has also exhibited for several summers at the Mountain Playhouse near Jennerstown, Pennsylvania, and in many art shows in eastern United States.

● Thomas B. Brumbaugh, 1943, received his Ph.D. from Ohio State in 1955 and is now teaching at Emory University (Georgia) where he is assistant professor of art history.

● Harry Peelor, 1944, is now pastor of the Christ Methodist Church in the Mt. Lebanon area, Pittsburgh. Peelor received his B.S. and Ed.D. degrees at Indiana State Teachers College and his bachelor of divinity degree at the Yale Divinity School. He is currently working for his Ph.D. degree at the University of Pittsburgh.

Rev. Peelor was ordained in the Methodist Church in 1945. He was a U. S. Navy Chaplain for several years following that time and was for a year and a half from May, 1952 to October, 1953, counseling chaplain.

● Donald M. and Goldie Plymire Albanito, both of the class of 1949, are now teaching at Southwest Missouri State College, Springfield, Missouri. Both Mr. and Mrs. Albanito received master's degrees from the University of Pittsburgh and both have attended the University of

Maryland. Mr. Albanito is in business education and Mrs. Albanito is in elementary education. These are the same fields they pursued at Indiana. Southwest Missouri has a present enrolment of more than 2200 students.

● James Arnold Hepner, 1951, is music instructor in the Portage Joint Schools.

● Annabel Switzer Calley, 1954, is art instructor at the new Purchase Line High School in Indiana County.

● Eugene Majda, 1954, is the driver education instructor at Blairsville High School, and John Hicho, 1955, is commercial department teacher in the same school system.

● Charlotte Louise Haupt, 1955, is teaching home economics in the United Joint High School at Armagh.

● Sarah Jane Williams, 1955, is art supervisor in the Laura Lamar High School in Homer City.

#### ALTOONA UNIT

A dinner party was held on October 19, 1955, at the Juniata Pavilion honoring the past presidents of the Altoona Alumni Unit. Mrs. C. J. Rodgers was toastmistress. Miss Bess Gephart gave the invocation and Miss Alma Eberle led the group in singing.

The program included two vocal solos by Mrs. Mary Mackey accompanied by Mrs. Phyllis Lambert.

Guests from the college were Miss Mary Esch, registrar, and secretary of the General Alumni Association, who gave a resume of college events this year, and Samuel Furguele, president of the General Alumni Association who brought greetings from the college.

Miss Isabel Torres, an exchange student from Chile who is studying at the college, gave a very interesting discussion of her native home.

Past presidents of the group include: Harriet Doran, Leonore Gates, Betty Kauffman, Ruth McCartney, Irene McNeel, Rose Mueller, Betty Rodgers, Marguerite Santa Maria, Florence Slep, Josephine Travis, Irene Weiser.

Each past president attending received a beautiful chrysanthemum corsage.

Mrs. Maude Johnson, president, welcomed the group and congratulated Don-

na Dodson, social chairman, and her committee for a lovely party.

Charlotte Waite, 1953, who was injured in an automobile accident near Indiana on August 4 and spent some time in the Indiana Hospital is recuperating at her home. Charlotte has been confined to her bed since the accident but expects to get the cast off her leg sometime in November. She teaches fourth grade at Penn School in Altoona.

Helen (Madden) Clark, 1953, welcomed a baby boy, Michael William Clark in October. Helen formerly taught at Penn School, Altoona, grade two.

Virginia (Strain) Stever, 1952, a Tri Sig from Tyrone, Pa., welcomed a blessed event, a boy, in October. This is the second boy in the family. Her husband is a chiropodist in Tyrone.

Our deepest sympathy is extended to Helen (Madden) Clark, 1953, on the death of her mother in October.

Ruth Marshall, 1955, from Brush Valley is teaching music in the Morrison Cove School District.

Joan Mills, 1954, who taught Home Economics classes in the Mount Union School District last year is now teaching in Bellwood, her home town.

Inez (Buchanan) Showers, 1917, graduated from the Indiana Normal School and became a life member of the Alumni Association. Mrs. Showers received her B.S. and M.A. degrees from Columbia University. She taught at the Training School and Keith Laboratory School from 1920 to 1943. She now does supply teaching in the Altoona School District.

Miss Elizabeth Eyre, an honorary member of the Alumni Unit in Altoona, graduated from Arnold College, Newhaven, An Open Letter to all Members of the Alumni Association

The Library Staff of Indiana State Teachers College is attempting to gather documents, publications, and pictures relating to the early history of the college.

A gratifying response for back issues of the college yearbook has been forthcoming as a result of the brief notices given in the Alumni News. We have many of the official documents pertaining to the college, but we lack original source material that would enable us to enrich the history of the college, such as: letters, diaries, journals, class notes, minute books of college organizations, and yearbooks prior to 1914.

We shall greatly appreciate your help in this request and hope you will examine your own possessions for these items or can suggest the names of other persons to whom we may contact. . . . W. E. Lafranchi, Librarian

Connecticut, and did graduate work at the University of Pennsylvania and the Pennsylvania State University. She taught physical education and health at Indiana from 1909 to 1919 and taught the same subjects in the Altoona High School. She is now retired, and an active member of our group.

Representatives of the Altoona Unit attending the General Alumni meeting at the college on October 1 were: Maude (McKinstry) Johnson, president of our unit, Shirley (Ort) Henry, Betty Shotzberger, and Marian Fleck.

Bernadette Hunter

#### JUNIOR ALUMNI UNIT (Pittsburgh)

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Wright (Maxene Shunkwiler, 1943) are moving to their new residence in Dearborn, Michigan.

Dr. and Mrs. James Duncan are the parents of a baby son, Jimmy. She is the former Edith Trout, 1943.

Mr. and Mrs. Meyers (Bertha Barron, 1950) are the parents of a baby son.

Submitted by

Mrs. J. E. Perryman

#### FOUR CONTRIBUTORS

● The names of four contributors to the Wilson Hall Library Project from the Class of 1900 were omitted in the October Alumni News Bulletin. They are Frank Strassler, Maude Harkness Thompson, Laura B. Walker, and Dr. Ernest Work.

#### LIBRARY GIFT

● Mrs. Sarah Wilson George, class of 1920, has contributed the following items for the college archives. The Clonian, 1888, edited by her father, Robert Miles Wilson and the Instano, 1920, a 1920 commencement program, several group pictures of the 1880's and 1920's and similarly related materials.

# Noted Geographer Lawrence C. Davis Passed Away

November 4, 1955



Lawrence C. Davis

Larry Davis gave many of us who were his students a broader vision of the world. He helped us to understand the reason and significance of events of the 20th century. Those of us who were Phi Sigs in the years he served as sponsor of that group received from him wise counsel on social and personal problems. As teacher and counselor, he gave greatly of himself to those of us who would be taught and who needed counsel. We valued and respected him as a friend, counselor, and teacher.

—Arthur F. Nicholson

Lawrence Charles Davis, chairman of the geography department, State Teachers College, Indiana, Pennsylvania, died Friday, November 4, 1955, one day before his 57th birthday. He is survived by his wife.

He was born November 5, 1898 in Canada. Mr. Davis graduated from the Sturgeon Bay High School in Wisconsin in 1916. He attended the North Dakota State Teachers College where he received his bachelor of science degree in 1924. He received his master of science degree at the University of Chicago in 1934 and took further graduate work beyond the M.S. at the University of Chicago, Stanford University, and the University of Pittsburgh.

Mr. Davis began his career in teaching in North Dakota and taught in that state for six years. He taught then in Geraldine, Montana, for four years. During those ten years in North Dakota, and Montana, he served as a subject matter teacher, supervisor, and school administrator.

He came to Indiana State Teachers College in 1929 and had been a member of the college faculty continuously since that time. During the most of that period he was head of the geography department.

During World War II, Mr. Davis was on a leave of absence from 1943-6 during which time he was a captain in the United States Air Corps. He served in the Pacific War Theater.

An internationally known geographer, Mr. Davis was active in various state and national geographic associations as well as in civic and community affairs. He was past president of the Indiana Rotary Club and a member of the Shakespeare Club of Indiana.



Mr. Davis was one of the originators of field work in geography. He was an active member of the American Association of Geographers, the National Council of Geography Teachers, and the International Geographical Union.

He served as president of the Pennsylvania Council of Geography and was frequently an author of magazine articles and other literature on geography subjects. He was for many years a reviewer for the **Journal of Geography**.

Mr. Davis did extensive research work in the field of geography. He was the author of a book on the geography of Pennsylvania and had done much work on world geography, backgrounds for geography, a classification of geography materials, and historical geography.

He was a member of Sigma Xi, Kappa Delta Pi, and Alpha Omega Gamma fraternities.

In conjunction with his great interest in field work in geography, Mr. Davis had been an extensive traveler and had sponsored field trips to various points in the United States, Canada, Mexico, South America, and Europe. He had traveled extensively in all the states of the United States, Canada, Mexico, Europe, Australia, India, Philippines, South America, and various points in the Pacific Ocean realm.

Many alumni of the State Teachers College, Indiana, will remember him as an excellent teacher of geography subjects and many of his boys who were members of Phi Sigma Pi fraternity in the years before World War II will remember him as their friend and social counselor.

Alumni, students, faculty and other friends of Mr. Davis were deeply grieved at his death which came in the Indiana Memorial Hospital the afternoon of November 4, 1955. Interment was in the Arlington, Virginia, National Cemetery.

## Publications Reviewed Recommended

Irwin Edman applies his keen and philosophic intelligence to the philosophy of John Dewey in a book entitled **John Dewey** and published in 1955 by Bobbs-Merrill Company, Inc. of Indianapolis and New York.

Edman has given us what is probably the best of John Dewey and "his contribution to the American tradition." In our time those of us in the education profession have witnessed great confusion about progress in education and any attitude which might be considered progressive in education. John Dewey has been much quoted, blamed, censured, and otherwise maligned for being the daddy of many of the big bad wolf ideas supposedly in American education in the 20th century. The reading of Edman's **John Dewey** can help one understand the real contribution of John Dewey to American education. Edman removes all the superstition and false ideas about what John Dewey is supposed to have said and digs right into the heart of Dewey's philosophy.

The topics covered in this 322 page volume includes: reconstruction in philosophy, philosophy as education, human nature and conduct, intelligence and inquiry, the human uses of freedom, the religion of shared experience, and democracy as a moral ideal. Most of the Dewey philosophy is expressed directly in Professor Dewey's own words from his own books. What Edman has done is to take the real meat of Mr. Dewey's books and give them to us in Mr. Dewey's own words. He has separated some of the excess verbiage, that it is all too true, often accompanied Mr. Dewey's best ideas.

It is this excess verbiage possibly that caused many misunderstandings of Mr. Dewey and his work. This Edman book is one of the Bobbs-Merrill's **Makers of the American Tradition** series. John Dewey is treated most sympathetically in this book by a later philosopher who also served at Columbia University.

Mr. Edman has the knack of digging into Dewey and bringing forth the major concepts of Dewey's philosophy. He enables us to learn of John Dewey's concept of education as growth and experience.

Mr. Edman allows the Dewey idea of "learning by doing" to be experienced in a manner which makes it appear the sensible idea that it is and not the joke that the detractors of modern education try to make it (learn by dewey).

Edman further enables us to understand Dewey's emphasis on the need of a free and flexible society in which education as growth and experience could flourish and help promote freedom. Edman shows the common sense and democratic realism behind John Dewey's hope that the individuality of people could and should grow from educational processes best suited for the development of individuality.

This book may be obtained from Bobbs-Merrill Company or through your book dealer for \$3.50.

**I Travel A Lonely Road.** Nina Pulliam. 400 pp. Bobbs-Merrill. \$5.00.

One of the most interesting books about a land relatively unknown to most Americans is Nina Pulliam's **I Travel A Lonely Road** which deals with Australia and the Australians.

This well written travel book would be useful for persons interested in geography, history, travel, comparative government, or for someone who would like to read a fascinating book about an interesting place that is far away from here even in this air age.

#### DEGREES

The University of Pittsburgh held summer commencement exercises for 488 graduates Wednesday evening, August 31 in the Soldiers and Sailors Memorial Hall.

Dr. Paul H. Masoner, dean of the School of Education, gave the commencement address, "With All the Rights, Privileges and Responsibilities."

Degrees granted by eight of the Universities 14 schools were conferred by Dr. Charles B. Nutting, acting chancellor.

Alumni from your Indiana State Teachers College who received degrees were:

Michael Dovensky, M.S.

Joanne Fee Allison, M.Ed.

DeVere Russell Carlson, M.Ed.

Edward C. Clawson, M.Ed.

Marian Walls Davis, M.7d.

John Winslow Dougherty, M.Ed.

Jean Lias Duty, M.Ed.

James Arnold Hepner, M.Ed.

Bessie I. Hood, M.Ed.

Mary Alice G. Jarvie, M.Ed.

Walter James Kipp, M.Ed.

Alfred Landy, M.Ed.

Raymond Francis Makowski, M.Ed.

Mary B. Recupero, M.Ed.

Bernice Marie Scheible, M.Ed.

Frank C. Schilling, M.Ed.

Elaine Marie Sturiale, M.Ed.

Shahood George Tony, M.Ed.

Frank Marion Vairo Jr., M.Ed.

Myrtle Altha Wallace, M.Ed.

Sara Hess Wellen, M.Ed.

Arutha Krider Burkett, M.L.

E. Richard Hall, M.L.

Mildred Veroria Krider, M.L.

Madeline Frances McNulty, M.L.

#### POSITION

● Marjorie Harvey, 1947, is now teaching clothing in the home economics department at Carnegie Tech.

● Eunice Deemer, 1944, is now teaching clothing at Douglas College, Rutgers-State University of New Jersey, New Brunswick, New Jersey.

● Jeanne E. Krellner, 1950, recently arrived in Bremerhaven, Germany, and will become a teacher in the Army's European dependents school system. Miss Krellner is one of 1400 instructors assigned to teach the 30,000 children in the American elementary and high schools in Germany. She was employed by St. Marys (Pa.) Benzinger Joint School System before arriving in Germany.

#### BIRTH

● A son, Richard Lynn, was born July 2, 1955, to Mr. and Mrs. Linford L. Jones, 4605 Rover Road, Louisville, Kentucky. Ruth Eaton Jones was a member of the class of 1945.

#### AS IT MUST TO ALL

● Nancy Winifred Loucks, 1896, died May 24, 1955, at her home in Scottdale, Pennsylvania.

● Edith G. Wolf, 1917, of 1401 Fifteenth Street, Altoona, Pennsylvania, died June 30, 1955.

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# Students From Five Foreign Countries Attend Indiana

## Interesting Program

State Teachers College at Indiana, Pennsylvania, this year has five foreign students, according to Dr. Edward W. Bieghler, chairman of the foreign languages department at the college and also chairman of the foreign student program.

These five students include Gopal Chandinamani of Bombay, India; George Demetriades of Thessaloniki, Greece; John Limb of Seoul, Korea; Saud Ibrahim Morgan of Deirut, Egypt; and Sonia Isabele Torres of Quipui, Valparaiso, Chile.

Dr. Bieghler points out that the foreign students at Indiana State Teachers College make a very great contribution to the educational program of Indiana students preparing to be teachers.

These foreign students bring with them the culture and background of their various countries and have been very willing to give their points of view to the Indiana students and townspeople whom they meet in their classes and in community social events.

The foreign exchange program has the approval of local, state, and national officers as one of the educational projects which help produce world understanding among Americans and among those people who go to college in America and later return to their countries.

Dr. Bieghler indicated that in the past few years foreign exchange students have been very graciously received by Indiana area people and foreign students have been invited by many local groups to speak at various organization meetings.

Gopal Chandinamani was born in Sind, Pakistan, but when India became independent in 1947, Gopal's family who are Hindus fled to Bombay. Gopal's father is an attorney. An older sister is employed by the Indian Embassy in Washington, D.C.

Gopal attended primary school for five years, secondary school for seven years, and graduated from Jae Hind College in Bombay. Politics and history comprised his major courses. Gopal's scholarship at Indiana is sponsored by the Indiana County Federation of Women's Club. Gopal is enrolled in the business education department at Indiana State Teachers College for one year.

He plans to attend American University in Washington, D.C. when he completes his work here and at the American University will study for his master's degree. He eventually expects to return to his native India where he will go into business.

George Demetriades was born in Kilkin, Greece, in 1935. When the Germans invaded Greece in 1940 the family removed to Thessaloniki, the second major city in Greece. George attended an elementary school for six years and then went to a gymnasium as a Grecian high school is called.

One day shortly after his graduation from the gymnasium, George happened to meet a sailor named Ben Keller from one of the United States battleships anchored in the port of Thessaloniki. They became friends and after Ben returned to the United States he continued to correspond with George.

Since George had been such a hospitable host, Mr. Keller (who is incidentally a graduate of Keith School) wanted to repay George for his kindness. Keller then made arrangements with his aunt Mrs. Thomas J. McNelis of 931 Chestnut Street, Indiana, Pennsylvania, for George to come here to live and to study at Indiana State Teachers College.

Mrs. McNelis made arrangements for some scholarship provisions and invited George to come to live at her home right here in Indiana. Some other private citizens in Indiana are helping George with funds and with part-time employment.

Mr. Demetriades plans to be at Indiana State Teachers College for four years and is majoring in chemistry and minoring in physics.

John Joonil Limb, aged 19, attended primary school for six years in Seoul, Korea, and junior high school for three years. John learned to speak fluently the Korean, English, Japanese, and French languages. He confesses that he is also able to read and write a few Chinese characters.

In his schooling in Korea, John took the liberal arts program and spent one year in high school in Korea. He was awarded a scholarship to finish his last year of high school and to acquire a college education in the United States.

He knew the vice principal of Monterey High School in California and spent one year there. During the 1954-5 school year he attended the Indiana Joint High School. John is enrolled in the business education department at Indiana State Teachers College. He eventually hopes to follow in his father's footsteps after he earns his bachelor's and master's degrees at colleges in the United States.

John's father's occupation is that of a president of the National Coal Corporation in Seoul, Korea. The elder Mr. Limb is also a diplomat. John is not the only scholar of the Limb household. An older brother is presently studying at the University of Connecticut, while a sister is taking work at the Finch Junior College in New York City.

Suad Ibrahim Morgan of Via Deriut, Egypt, is planning a one year stay at Indiana State Teachers College. Miss Morgan is a school teacher in Egypt who was brought to the United States to continue her studies at Indiana State Teachers College by the congregation of the First United Presbyterian Church of Indiana.

Miss Morgan will study at Indiana State Teachers College for one year and then will return to her position as a teacher in the United Presbyterian Church's Christian School in her home land. She is learning new teaching skills and methods while in the United States.

After completing a teacher training course at Affiut College in Egypt, she taught kindergarten for two years in that country. Miss Morgan has a mother, two sisters, and a brother still at home.

Reverend Dr. Frank A. Lawrence and the congregation of the United Presbyterian Church of Indiana have made this scholarship available in the interest of fostering better foreign relationship between the United States and Egypt and for the purpose of aiding Christian missions in Egypt.

Sonia Isabele Torres, Valparaiso, Chile, is enrolled at Indiana State Teachers College as a senior secondary student majoring in English. Isabele is a former five year student of the Institute of Pedagogico of the University of Chile, in Valparaiso.

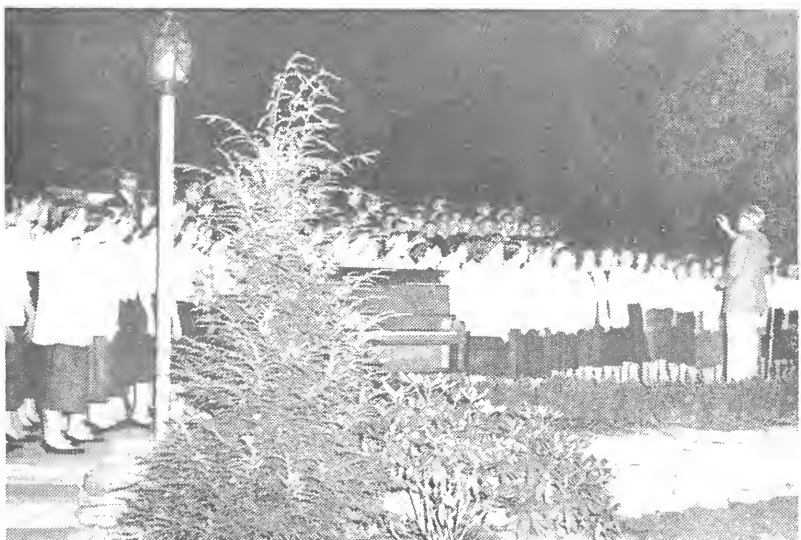
Before coming to Indiana on a one year scholarship furnished by the Indiana State Teachers College Student Council Campus Chest Fund, Miss Torres was a high school teacher in her home land.

Her family consists of her parents, four sisters and three brothers. Her father is a merchant with a small market in Valparaiso.

Isabele was born in Quipui, Chile, a small town similar to Indiana. In addition to her college work in Chile she attended elementary school and then spent six years in liceo or high school. Miss Torres anticipates returning to her work in Chile after her present year at Indiana.



Indiana's Foreign Students (left to right): Gopal Chandinamani of India, Sonia Isabele Torres of Chile, George Demetriades of Greece, Saud Ibrahim Morgan of Egypt.



Charles Davis directs Greek letter societies in annual "Greek Sing" at Flagstone Theater.



Right to left: Saud Ibrahim Morgan of Egypt, John J. Limb of Korea, George Demetriades of Greece.



Penn Feature Writer Scotty Johnson (right) Interviews Isabele Torres of Chile (left).

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